## **Abstract**

A system for obtaining, recording, displaying, storing, transmitting and receiving identifying information is provided. The system, which includes an electronic security apparatus adapted to obtain identifying information of an individual, is the form of a hand-held digital computer that allows a user to capture and store images and other information concerning an individual. The information can be stored locally and/or transmitted to remote locations. Instruction on how to proceed once a suspect is identified may also be transmitted to the apparatus.

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